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Larry Dutson, President **Dutson Supply Company** 790 West Main Delta, Utah 84624

Re:

Reply to October 27, 1999 Letter, Backside/Valley/Northside/Leas Project, S/027/047, Millard County, Utah

Dear Mr. Dutson:

This letter is written in reply to your October 27, 1999 letter wherein you stated that Robert Wilson hired Delta Supply as a contractor to do the work on the Backside/Valley/Northside/Leas small mining project. You also stated that Dutson Supply, at no time, owned part of the claim; that Robert Clark, who filed the permit in Dutson Supply's name, worked for Robert Wilson at the time of filing. Robert Clark and Robert Wilson have never been employed by Dutson Supply.

Thank you for making the Division aware of the circumstances surrounding this project and the fact that Mr. Wilson and his company filed bankruptcy many years ago. The Division has little recourse but to close our file on this project and list the site as abandoned. It is noted, however, that this sort of business practice is considered highly irresponsible as Mr. Wilson and his company have not lived up to their responsibility to reclaim the site. We will assist the BLM if they have any recourse in regards to getting reclamation for the site.

This project file is now retired. You will not have to pay the \$100.00 permit fee that was recently sent to you. Thanks again for your clarification and explanation regarding your part in this project.

Sincerely,

Tom Munson

Senior Reclamation Specialist